

Dear FCC,

Insamuch as the international community has eliminated the Morse Code requirement from Amateur license tests, and indeed as several countries have deleted this requirement, I have to ask why the United States has to follow suit? What concern is it to the world if a group of radio enthusiasts in the United States wants to require Morse Code tests for their licenses? The Morse Code has been a part of Amateur Radio from the beginning. It distinguishes the Amateur from other spectrum users. Indeed, it is the identity of Amateur Radio. I strongly encourage you to retain Morse Code testing for Amateur licensing. Further, I ask that graduated Morse Code tests be re-intituted for Amateur license testing. Thank you.

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